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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 15, 2008, in the above-identified application.

Applicants believe that no petition or fee is required for this submission. Nevertheless, please consider this a conditional petition for any required extension of time, and an authorization to charge any required fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1721.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.